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## JAPAN.

*Report from Yokohama—Inspection of vessels.*

Passed Assistant Surgeon Cumming reports, July 20:

Week ended July 17. Bills of health issued to 7 vessels.

Plague conditions here are improved. The weather for ten days has been unusually hot, and such climatic conditions have heretofore been followed by a cessation of plague.

*Examination of emigrants.*

Number of emigrants per steamship *Korea*, July 11, for Honolulu: Held for observation, 4.

Per steamship *Nippon Maru*, July 21, for Honolulu: Rejected, 1.

Per steamship *Tango Maru*, July 21, for Seattle: Held for observation, 6.

Rejections and detentions were for trachoma.

*Report from Kobe—Inspection of vessels—Examination of emigrants—Plague—Plague-infected rats.*

Acting Assistant Surgeon Knight reports, July 22:

Week ended July 17. Supplemental bills of health granted to 7 steamships.

There were inspected 110 members of crews and 379 steerage passengers, and 46 members of crews and 49 steerage passengers were bathed and disinfected and had their effects disinfected by steam. The number of pieces of baggage steamed was 238 and bedding 108. Manifests were viséed for 33,432 pieces of freight, amounting to 3,653 tons.

Emigrants examined: Per steamship *Tacoma Maru* for Tacoma, passed 4, recommended for rejection 5; per steamship *Tango Maru* for Seattle, passed 39, recommended for rejection 10. The emigrants passed, together with 6 intending passengers to Victoria per steamship *Tango Maru*, were inspected, bathed, and disinfected and their effects were disinfected before embarkation.

During the week 1 case of birds' wings and 3 personal effects were disinfected with formalin.

The official returns of infectious diseases for the week show 3 cases of plague with 2 deaths in Kobe. The 3 cases of plague reported were located at the lower end of Kobe near the railroad station, 2 cases occurring in the same house. Immediate measures were taken by the authorities to eradicate the infection from the location. Plague-infected rats are still reported, but none reported as infected along the water front or in the shipping districts.

*Report from Nagasaki—Examination of emigrants—Health conditions.*

Acting Sanitary Inspector Thompson reports, July 10:

Week ended July 10. Examined, passed, and certified seven Chinese aliens from Hongkong for San Francisco per steamship *Korea*. No quarantinable diseases occurred in this consular district during the week.